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PUBLIC NOTICE

Contracting Office Address: National Park Service, AKSO, 2525 Gambell St., Rm 107, Anchorage, AK 99503

Subject: Availability of prospectus for solicitation of offers to operate commercial visitor services at Denali National Park, Alaska. The operation includes bus tours, bus transportation, camper services (Riley Creek Mercantile and two campgrounds), services at the Visitor Center (food service, gifts and convenience items) and the Denali Science and Learning Center (lodging and food service).

Opening is February 15, 2002; Offers due May 20, 2002 at 4:30 pm local time.

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Description: The term of the contract is expected to be approximately 10 years, from October 2, 2002 to December 31, 2012. The traditional operating season is May - September. Estimated gross receipts for 2003, the first season of operation, are expected to be approximately \$13,200,000, of which \$11,800,000 is from bus tours and bus transportation.

The contract will require an initial investment including purchase of the incumbent concessioners possessory interest in real property (estimated at \$2,875,000), other property (estimated at \$6,132,000) and a facilities improvement program to be completed in phases by 2006 (estimated at \$4,550,000). The minimum franchise fee to be paid to the National Park Service is 13.5% of gross receipts. The prospectus will explain the business opportunity, the terms and conditions under which the NPS will award the concession contract, the proposal instructions and proposal package (including the selection factors). The solicitation, selection and award of the concession contract will be conducted pursuant to 36 CFR Part 51.

The cost of purchasing a copy of the prospectus is \$50.00. To obtain a copy, send a check payable to "National Park Service", to the following address: National Park Service, Attention Concessions Division, 2525 Gambell Street, Room 107, Anchorage, AK 99503-2892. A tax identification number (TIN) or social security number must be on the check. Please include in your request the mailing address to which you want the prospectus sent.

The NPS intends to post a copy of the prospectus on the following park website: www.nps.gov/dena. However, this website is currently shut down as a result of a court order for reasons unrelated to this contracting action. It is uncertain when the website will be operating again.